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1. On 21 July 1953, a conference of departmental chiefs and construction supervisors was held at Bauunion Nordost. A report on the status of construction projects at the end of the first quarter of 1953 was given. The production quota fixed for installation No 10, Altwarz, was only 78.2 percent fulfilled. The situation at the other construction sites was about the same. At the conference, the new organizational plan for the Bauunion was submitted. The measures envisaged were designed to cut expenses by 10 to 12 percent. Savings of overhead personnel were to be effected by a merger of departments. It was announced that the Bauunion would have a strength of about 3,500 men as against about 2,800 men employed at present. Efforts were to be made to eliminate the shortage of skilled construction workers.
2. On 30 July, installations No 2, Stallberg; No 6, Droegeheide; No 8, Karpin; and No 9, Spechtersberg were inspected by representatives of the Ministry of the Interior including Deputy Minister Willi Mayer; Colonel Horst Preussler; PK Lieutenant Colonel Tuttitzer ; Captain Haack , chief of the designs department; Captain Fleischer ; and some other VP officers. The representatives of the Ministry of the Interior pointed out that progress of underground construction work at the installation was unsatisfactory and probably caused by organizational mistakes of the Bauunion. The representatives of the Bauunion did not accept the findings of the Ministry of the Interior. At the end of the conference, Herr Mayer appealed to the engineers to do their best in an effort to accelerate construction work.
3. Bauunion Nordost was making efforts to receive contracts for civilian construction projects. It succeeded in receiving an order for the construction of dwelling houses in Torgelow.

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4. During the reported period [redacted] a Buero der Staatlchen Kontrolle (state control bureau) was located in the temporary building occupied by the management of Bauunion Nordost. The bureau was charged with checking on the mood of the workers, the organization of work and the appropriate handling of materials.

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[redacted] comment. [redacted] The efforts allegedly made by the Bauunion to obtain orders for civilian construction projects might indicate that military construction projects may be cut in the near future. However, the endeavors reported would not agree with the shortage of skilled workers mentioned in paragraph 1 of the present report.